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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
FOR KITSAP COUNTY

STEVEN W. DAVISON, individually, and on
behalf of the ESTATE OF MARGARET
DAVISON; and MICHAEL DAVISON,
individually

Plaintiffs,

v.

LSREF GOLDEN OPS 26 (WA), LLC, a
foreign Limited Liability Company, d/b/a
"ORCHARD POINTE SENIOR ALZHEIMER
COMMUNITY" and PRESTIGE SENIOR
MANAGEMENT, a foreign Limited Liability
Company, d/b/a "ORCHARD POINTE
SENIOR ALZHEIMER COMMUNITY";

Defendants.

NO. 20-2-01277-18

**COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES FOR
WRONGFUL DEATH**

COMES NOW the Plaintiffs, by and through their attorneys of record, Amanda M. Searle and Matthew Wurdeman of Connelly Law Offices, PLLC and by way of claim alleges upon personal knowledge as to themselves and their own actions, and upon information and belief upon all other matters, as follows:

I. PARTIES

1. MARGARET DAVISON was an adult female who formerly resided at ORCHARD POINTE SENIOR ALZHEIMER COMMUNITY in Kitsap County. She died on December 19, 2019, from multiple ground level falls. The Kitsap County Coroner ruled her death an accident.

2. STEVEN W. DAVISON was appointed the Personal Representative of his mother's Estate on June 19, 2020. STEVEN W. DAVISON is MARGARET DAVISON's adult son and brings claims for the personal losses suffered by STEVEN W. DAVISON and on behalf of all beneficiaries of the Estate of MARGARET DAVISON.

3. MICHAEL DAVISON is MARGARET DAVISON's adult son.

4. KIMBERLY SCHAFER-DAVISON is MARGARET DAVISON'S adult daughter.

5. ISALAH FREEMAN-DAVISON is MARGARET DAVISON'S adult son.

6. Defendant LSREF GOLDEN OPS 26 (WA), LLC is a foreign limited liability corporation who owns, operates, and does business as "ORCHARD POINTE SENIOR ALZHEIMER COMMUNITY," an assisted living facility located at 300 S. Kitsap Blvd., Port Orchard, WA 98366.

7. Defendant PRESTIGE SENIOR MANAGEMENT, LLC is a foreign limited liability corporation who owns, operates, and does business as "ORCHARD POINTE SENIOR ALZHEIMER COMMUNITY," an assisted living facility located at 300 S. Kitsap Blvd, Port Orchard, WA 98366.

II. VENUE & JURISDICTION

8. This Court has original subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Washington, Art. 4, § 6.

9. Venue is proper in Kitsap County pursuant to RCW 4.12.020 because the events giving rise to this claim occurred in Kitsap County.

III. STATEMENT OF FACTS

10. MARGARET DAVISON resided at ORCHARD POINTE SENIOR ALZHEIMER COMMUNITY (hereinafter "ORCHARD POINTE") from approximately February 24, 2017 to approximately November 10, 2019.

11. MARGARET DAVISON had been previously diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease and was completely dependent on the staff, agents, and ostensible agents of Defendant to provide for her health, safety, and well-being.

12. During her time at ORCHARD POINTE, MARGARET DAVISON was neglected and abused. The staff, agents, and ostensible agents of Defendants fell well below the standard of care in their treatment and monitoring of Plaintiff. Due to their neglect and abuse, MARGARET DAVISON sustained at least eight falls, many for which she was hospitalized at Harrison Medical Center. As a result of these falls, MARGARET DAVISON sustained multiple fractures, to include a pelvic fracture, a closed fracture of the left humerus, a hip fracture, a right shoulder fracture, a closed head injury, and an acute nondisplaced fracture of the right orbital floor, among others. After her hospitalization at Harrison Medical Center related to a fall on November 10, 2019, her doctor indicated "she clearly cannot go back to the same facility."

13. On November 13, 2019 MARGARET DAVISON was admitted to Martha and

1 Mary Health Services in Poulsbo, WA. She passed away on December 19, 2019. The cause
2 of death was identified as the final fall at ORCHARD POINTE on November 10, 2019. The
3 Kitsap County Coroner stated that the cause of death was "ACCIDENTAL."

4 14. As a result of the negligence and abuse and neglect of Defendants, MARGARET
5 DAVISON suffered multiple bone fractures and was hospitalized numerous times. Despite
6 this, ORCHARD POINTE continued to provide inadequate care.

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8 **IV. FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION – NEGLIGENCE**

9 15. Defendants, through their agents and ostensible agents, owed a duty of care to
10 MARGARET DAVISON.

11 16. Defendants breached that duty when, among other things, their agents and/or
12 ostensible agents failed to adhere to the standard of care—both as set forth herein and in other
13 respects as well.

14 17. Defendants breached that duty when, among other things, their agents and/or
15 ostensible agents, failed to take proper steps to prevent fall risks.

16 18. Defendants breached that duty when, among other things, their agents and/or
17 ostensible agents, failed to properly educate and train themselves, and failed to create,
18 implement, enforce, and/or follow proper policies and procedures to prevent fall risks.

19 19. As a direct and proximate result of these and other breaches, as described above
20 and in other respects as well, MARGARET DAVISON suffered extensive and horrifying
21 physical pain and suffering, as well as accompanying psychological injuries.

22 20. As a direct and proximate result of these and other breaches, as described above
23 and in other respects as well, MARGARET DAVISON suffered enormous personal losses,

1 including death.

2 21. As a direct and proximate result of these and other breaches, as described above
3 and in other respects as well, MARGARET DAVISON has incurred general and special
4 damages in an amount to be determined by the jury at time of trial.

5 **V. SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION – VIOLATION OF RCW 73.34**

6 22. At all relevant times, MARGARET DAVISON was a vulnerable adult within
7 the meaning of RCW 74.34 and as defined in RCW 74.34.020(15).

8 23. At all relevant times, ORCHARD POINTE was a “facility” as that term is
9 defined in RCW 74.34.020(5).

10 24. Defendants’ conduct as described herein constitutes abuse and neglect within
11 the meaning of RCW 74.34.200(1), thereby giving rise to a separate cause of action.

12 25. Plaintiff is entitled to attorney fees and costs under the VAS statute.

13 **VI. THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION- WRONGFUL DEATH**

14 26. Due to Defendants’ negligence, MARGARET DAVISON suffered a painful
15 death. Plaintiffs seeks damages for their own loss of consortium and all available damages on
16 behalf of the Estate of MARGARET DAVISON for personal losses suffered, including but not
17 limited to health care and funeral expenses, pain and suffering, anxiety, emotional distress,
18 fear, and all other damages available under law.

19 **V. PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

20 WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs request a judgment against Defendants:

- 21 (a) Awarding general and special damages in amounts to be proven at trial;
22 (b) Awarding reasonable attorneys’ fees and costs;
23 (c) Awarding any and all applicable interest on the judgment; and

1 (d) Awarding such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

2 DATED this 17th day of August, 2020.

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